



**Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services**

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**Richard C. Dunn**  
Director

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Dear Missouri Educator,

Thank you for your interest in providing nutrition education for Missouri's children. This curriculum is made available through the School Nutrition Education Program within the Unit of Nutrition Policy and Education, Division of Community Health, Department of Health and Senior Services. Our program's goal is to assist you in improving nutrition-related behaviors of Missouri students through evaluated curriculum.

All curriculum offered has been evaluated by a Registered Dietitian and is aligned with Missouri Show-Me Standards. The curricula also meets knowledge and content standards required in other subject areas. We make this curriculum available to you at no cost but do require a commitment from you to complete the surveys necessary in evaluating our program. There are some limitations to receiving curriculum that we have outlined on the order form.

Completion of pre- and post- curriculum evaluation surveys for all curriculum you request is required. In addition, any student surveys required by the curriculum must also be completed. If you will be using a curriculum for which a student survey is required with more than 100 students you may contact us to discuss data collection alternatives. You will need to fill out an order form and pre-survey prior to receiving the curriculum. You may mail, fax or e-mail your order to us. When your order is filled, Missouri Show-Me Standards and post-surveys will be provided to you for each curriculum you have selected (allow 4-6 weeks for delivery). After you have completed the curriculum, evaluate the effectiveness of the curriculum through the teacher post survey, conduct the post student survey, if required, and then mail the post surveys back to us.

In order to continue offering curriculum through the School Nutrition Education Program at no charge to Missouri educators, it is necessary that the program be evaluated to determine the benefits. Your cooperation in returning the post-survey following the completion of teaching from the nutrition curriculum you select is appreciated and is vital to the continuation and success of the program.

Thank you for your role in providing quality nutrition education in your school. If I can assist you further or answer questions related to the School Nutrition Education Program, please contact me at 573/751-6183 or fax at 573/522-3244 or e-mail at [arnir@dhss.mo.gov](mailto:arnir@dhss.mo.gov).

Cordially,

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